



AMERICAN RABBIT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

Devoted to the Interest of Rabbit Raising for Fancy and Commercial

Parent Body of All Chartered Local and Specialty Clubs / One National Judging and Registration System

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ARBA 2011 NATIONAL YOUTH INDIVIDUAL CONTESTS

PURPOSE

To acknowledge excellence among ARBA youth members in attendance at the ARBA National Convention and Show through the evaluation of their knowledge and skills involved in the rabbit and cavy industry.

RULES

- 1 Any ARBA youth member is eligible to compete, however, attendance at the National Convention is required.
- 2 A contestant may enter as many contests that are age-appropriate as they wish.
- 3 The age of a contestant is determined as of the last day of the national convention.
- 4 All contestants must check in, either personally or by an adult representative, by 10:00 p.m. on Friday, October 28, 2011. Contestants will be given approximate times for their contest participation at check-in.

CONTESTS AND DIVISIONS

National Breed Identification Contest

- 1 Divisions: Junior(Ages 5 to 11 years), Intermediate(Ages 12 to 14 years), and Senior(Ages 15 -18 years).
- 2 Contestants will identify 25 animals, both rabbits and cavies, listing the complete breed name as printed in the *ARBA Standard of Perfection*, the showroom variety, whether a 4 class or 6 class breed, and the registration variety of each of the 25 animals.
- 3 No abbreviations are accepted.

National Skill-a-Thon Contest

- 1 Division: Pre-Junior(Ages 5 to 7 years).
- 2 Preregistration is encouraged, but not required for this contest.
- 3 Contestants will participate in various knowledge and skills stations.

National Showmanship Contest

- 1 Division: Junior(Ages 8 to 11 years).
- 2 Contestants will examine and evaluate an animal telling what and why as they go along.
- 3 A contestant may use their own animal or the committee will have some available the first round.
- 4 Call backs will be made for at least the top five at each table. Call backs will be posted by noon Sunday.

National Judging Contest

- 1 Divisions: Intermediate(Ages 12 to 14 years), and Senior(Ages 15 -18 years).
- 2 Each team member will be required to place four classes of four animals per class. This is a timed event of 7 minutes per class. The use of the ARBA Standard of Perfection at the judging table is encouraged.
- 3 Judging classes may involve rabbits (including meat classes), cavies, fur and wool.
- 4 Call backs will be made for at least the top five at each table. Call backs will be posted by noon Sunday.

ENTRY PROCEDURES

Entry must be made **online** or on the form provided by the ARBA Youth Department. This form is available from your ARBA District Director, the ARBA office, the ARBA Youth Website, and the ARBA Youth Committee.

Entries must be postmarked by September 1, 2011 and should be mailed to the ARBA Youth Chairperson.



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ARBA 2011 NATIONAL CONTESTS ENTRY FORM

ARBA # _____ ARBA District _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ Age on 11/2/11 _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Emergency Contact #1

Name _____ Phone _____

Emergency Contact #2

Name _____ Phone _____

Royalty Contest

Boys Girls

Achievement Contest

Based on Contestant Age

Management Contest

Limited Average Unlimited

Individual Contests

Breed ID Skill-a-Thon/Showmanship/Judging(age appropriate)

Educational Contests

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Art - Drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> Art - Painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Art - Sculpture or Carving |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Ceramics or Pottery | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Handmade Jewelry | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Clothing (made by the exhibitor) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Latch Hook | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Needlework | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Puppet or Stuffed Animal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Stenciled Item | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Wearable Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Crafts - Any Other Craft |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Writing - Poem | <input type="checkbox"/> Creative Writing - Short Story | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Poster |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Display | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Game | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography - Single Photo - Black & White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Photography - Single Photo - Color | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography - Photo Series | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking and Metalworking - Decorative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking and Metalworking - Rabbit or Cavy Equipment | | |

PUBLICITY RELEASE - I authorize the ARBA or their assignees to record and photograph my image and/or voice (or that of my child, if under 18) for use in ARBA educational and promotional programs. I also recognize that these audio, video and image recordings are the property of the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc. Yes No

Youth MUST have parental permission to participate in these contests. Further, by signing this form below, both parents and participants are confirming that you agree to the following statement:

I(we) understand participants will be minimally supervised and that contest participants may be handling live animals. If serious illness or injury develops attempts will be made to contact the listed emergency contacts. I(we) have read and understand the ARBA Youth Department Code of Conduct and Publicity Release. I(we) hereby release American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc., and their agents, officers and employees, from all claims, demands, and causes of action of any kind, including claims of negligence, which may arise from participation in any ARBA Youth Department sponsored activity and contest.

Contestant Signature _____ Parent Signature _____